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RE: Seward Highway Project

12/12/05

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to urge you to re-include the Seward Highway improvements south of Potter Section House as part of the State Transportation Improvement Plan. It is crucial Alaskans prioritize the allocation of transportation funds and resources based on safety and use.

In the past few years numerous sections of the Seward Highway in more remote areas have been improved to accommodate more traffic. Sections between Anchorage and Girdwood still remain two-lane despite its heavy use and number of fatalities.

I ask that you consider improving this portion of the highway to accommodate the heavy traffic it receives on a continuous, year-round basis by increasing all sections to four lanes.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this very serious matter.



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Cc: Mayor Mark Begich  
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